

**REMARKS**

Entry of this Amendment After Final Rejection is respectfully requested. The Amendment amends claim 1 in accordance with the Examiner's suggestions to correct typographical errors to overcome the rejections under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, and to further clarify the invention. As the amendments are of a formal nature, this Amendment does not raise any new issues or require any new searching by the Examiner. Accordingly, entry of this Amendment is respectfully requested. It is respectfully submitted that the rejection under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, be withdrawn.

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**CLAIM**  
**(Amended - Marked-Up Version)**

--1. (Thrice Amended) A process for the production of a buckling resistant stove-finished structural component from a cold strip which comprises ageing-sensitive steel with a high bake-hardening potential, characterized in that

- the cold strip is converted by temper rolling to a yield point elongation-free state in which the condition  $R_{eh} - R_{el} < 2 \text{ N/mm}^2$  is met,
- the cold strip is then stored [to] at storage temperature below room temperature for a storage period whose length is at most equal to the length of the period at whose end the value of critical ageing is reached which results in dependence on the particular storage temperature,
- [to storage] the cold strip is cold worked to give a structural component, and
- the structural component is stove-finished.--